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CITY ITEMS.

STOCKS of Winter Goods in the CRAW-FORD STORE, notwithstanding the great selling of the past two weeks, are still full and complete in assoriments, and it ought to be a good place for every one to trade this week, as further reductions on prices have been made.

Christian Association Meeting Christian Association Meeting.
The thirty-fourth annual meeting of the St. Louis Women's Christian Association will be in the Third Baptist Church next Wednesday, beginning at 10:30 a. m. and continuing through the day, Reports from all branches will be heard. Mrs. Duncan of Leuisville, Ky.. will be the guest of honor and will address the meeting at both morning and afternoon sessions. The day following the meeting there will be a reception in honor of Mrs. Duncan at No. 5109 West-minster, Mrs. Marshall having offered her home for that purpose.

Wedding Rings (Solid Gold). Inset qualities, it to the Mermod & Jac-rd's. Broadway and Locust.

Thrown From a Street Car. John Byrne, a carpenter, we years old, liv-ing at No. 1423 North Vandeventer avenue, was thrown from an Easton avenue car at Prairie avenue yesterday afternoon and painfully injured. He was treated by Doctor George C. Lyda and sent to his home in an ampulance. The accident occurred when he attempted to alight.

Boro-Formalin" (Eimer & Amend) as an tiseptic, cleansing mouth and tooth wash

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#### MISSOURIAN COULD NOT KILL OREGON COYOTE

Story of Himself When a Tenderfoot Out West.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Macon, Mo., Jan. 18.-A case was argued in the Circuit Court here the other day in which the main issue was the deceptive ness of Western scenery. The defendants

ness of Western scenery. The defendants' counsel contended that the court should not take into consideration the testimony of a "Missouri tenderfoot" regarding a certain section of Oregon land because "he is not qualified by experience to testify intelligently about the country out there."

The style of the case was Mary Jane Shipley and John Shipley (wife and husband) vs. Joseph F. Hice and Marion Williams. The plaintiffs, who are old people, owned a farm in Macon County in April, laws. They claim the defendants, by misleading representations, induced them to trade their Missouri farm, for a much larger but a comparatively/worthless tract of land in Loncoln County, Oregon. The suit was to have the deeds set aside on the ground of fraud.

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The plaintiffs were never on the Oregon land, but Mr. Shipley went to the nearest town, became very much dissatisfied with the country, decided he had been swindled and returned home. The principal objection raised was that the Oregon land was mostly in the mountains and was uncultivatable.

able.

In arguing in support of the fairness of the deal, as counsel for defendants, Attorney Joseph Park said:

"The main trouble with this case, your Honor, is that the old gentleman, Mr. Shipley, went out there and saw the mountains about where he though his land was and concluded he had swapped for them. As he didn't contemplate running a summer resort he naturally became disastisfied. He wasn't hunting mountain scenery, he says.

MOUNTAIN SCENERY. MOUNTAIN SCENERY.

"The truth is those mountains are miles and miles the other side of the farm my clients sold him. His farm nestles in one of the most fertile valleys of the State of Oregon, is well watered and intensely picturesque, and had he made a closer inspection he would have gone into raptures over his trade. He had no reason to apprehend any danger from the mountains. They merely served to form a beautiful background to his possessions. Why, they weren't even in the same county his land was.

THING LOOKED EASY. something of a hunter, as your knows, and the thing locked easy. Honor knows, and the thing locked easy. The animal, for some peculiar reason, was not watchful, nor paying any attention to me, but kept along at the same old gait. One of the men on the platform said something about doubting a Missourian's ability to shoot straight. I thought I would show him. Well, I emptied the magazine at the beast, and I don't think he batted an eyelash—if he had any, I never saw anything as cool under fire. I got hot and nervous.

"The train robber courteously loaded the gun up again and I braced myself against the end of the car. The conductor said he would have the train stopped if I preferred a steadler rest. One of the boys fanned me with his wide-brimmed hat and another brought out a glass of water. I ignored them as ill-mannered plainsmen. When I had shot sixteen more holes in the air without result, I observed my audience smiling.

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"You fellows seem to think you are such
fine shots—suppose one of you take a whack
at him. I don't believe your old gun will
shoot straight, anyway," and I handed it
back to its owner.

"Stranger," he said, "the gun's all right,
and you're all right, but that 'er coyote is
over in the next county, and you couldn't
hit him from here with a cannon. You
see, we are running catacornered from him
and that's why he seems to be keeping up.
When a Missourian comes out here we always let him go after what he wants without telling him how far off it is, so us to
keep him from calling us names."

"A homely illustration, your Honor, but
a true one, and it fits the facts in this
case."

Port Closed to Steamers. Guayaquil, Ecuador, Jan. 18.—The Board of Health of Guayaquil has decided to close the port to steamers from Panama and Mexican ports. This measure was taken when it was learned that the steamer Acapulco had arrived at Panama from Mazatian, Mexico, where there is plague. The yellow fever is causing from five to six deaths a day in Guayaquil.

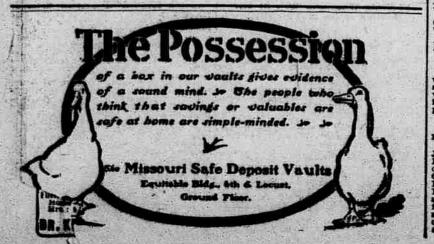
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Sacred Heart Parish Eachre. The Sacred Heart Parish will give seather this afternoon and evening, playing to begin at 2:15 and 8:15 o'clock. Among the prizes to be offered for competition are a diamond ring and stud.

George Gillett Found Dead. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Macon, Mo., Jan. Iš.—George Gillett, aged for years, an employe of Bleos's carriage factory, was found dead in bed at his lodging house this morning. He leaves a wife and two children at Warsaw, Mo. Heart failure was the verdict of the Coroner's jury.

Joseph Flory, Secretary of the World's Fair National Commission, states that he has not authorized the use of his name in collecting money or soliciting aid of any kind for a "newsboys' home."



### **NESBIT COMMITTEE READY TO REPORT**

Proposed Amendment to Election Laws Will Be Submitted by Jefferson Club To-Morrow.

MANY CHANGES SUGGESTED.

Voluminous Document Has Been Prepared by the Democrats Appointed to Draft Substitutions to Present Law.

The Jefferson Club subcommittee appointed to draft amendments to the Nesoi law completed its work yesterday evening and is now ready to report to the General Committee, of which Thomas H. Skinker is secretary. The report probably will be Seneral Committee can be gotten together

Just what changes in the cresent election law will be recommended by the subcommittee is not known except to the member of that committee, and they have agreed not to divulge anything until after the General Committee has acted upon their

General Committee has acted upon their report.

It was hinted yester-lay by one of the members of the subcommittee, however, that the report will embody a larger number of proposed changes than that suggested by the Republican committee, which completed its work Saturday.

The Jefferson Club subcommittee worked all of yesterday afternoon at the St. Louis Club, in order to get its report in proper shape for submission to the General Committee. Since its organization, several weeks ago, the gentlemen comporing the committee have put in a solid week going carefully over the election law and picking out and revising what they considered its defective clauses. These acseions, many of which were held at night, were all conducted behind closed 40 yrs in pariors of the St. Louis Club, where the members were not subjected to the least bit of intrusion.

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Their deliberations were noted in full by a stenographer, who acted in the capacity of a secretary, and the General Committee will be given a detailed report of all the proceedings of the various meetings.
Mayor Wells, who is chairman of the subcommittee, stated yesterday that be and his associates on the committee had decided not to make public the report until it has been acted upon by the General Committee. The reason for preserving this secrecy, he said, was to avoid criticism in the event the General Committee fails to agree in the recommendations made.
Every conceivable source of information, including the election laws of other States, has been drawn upon by the committee in its efforts to draft suitable amendments, and the result, in the event the amendments are adopted by the Legislature, will be an almost entirely new election law for

Secretary Skinker of the General Com-mittee will receive a copy of the prep sed election law as outlined by the Republican Committee to-day, and it will be examined and compared with the recommendations of the Jefferson Club committee at the meeting

### **VISITORS AT ST. LOUIS HOTELS.**

-Miss Ina Brooks of Paris, Tex., is or the guest list at the St. Nicholas. the guest list at the St. Nicholas.

—A. Dillon Short of Louisville, Ky., is registered at the Lindell.

—W. C. Agee of Birmingham, Ala., spent yesterday at the Planters.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Smith of Louisville, Ky., are at the Southern.

—J. R. Elder of Detroit, Mich., has rooms at the New St. James. guest at the Laclede.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Boyer of San Antonio, Tex., are at the Moser.

—George P. Henderson of Kokomo, Ind., was at Horn's yesterday.

—G. V. Reifel of Cloveland, O., is on the guest list at the St. Nicholas.

—R. C. Ware of Plainville, Ark., is registered at the Lindell.

—J. C. Morris of Farmington. Mo., is stopping at the Planters.

—Mr. and Mrs. George G. Yoemens of Chicago, Ill., are at the Southern.

—E. Griffith Williams of Chicago, Ill., has rooms at the New St. Jumes.

—G. B. Marshall of Nashville, Tenn., is a guest at the Laclede.

—Mr. and Mrs. David L. Birch of Frankfort. -Mr. and Mrs. David L. Birch of Frank-fort, Ky., are at Horn's. —B. Mason Caldwell of Kansas City, Mo., was at the Moser yesterday.
—Miss Gretchen Lloyd of New York is on the guest list at the St. Nicholas. yesterday at the Southern.

George T. Meech of Denver, Colo., is a guest at the Laciede.

J. P. Kelley of New York was among yesterday's arrivals at the St. Nicholas.

B. T. Putnam of Gardner, Mass., is registered at the Lindell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harris of Kansas City. Mo., are guests at the Planters.

T. J. Thornhill of Corsicana, Tex., spent yesterday at the Southern.

C. H. Smith of San Francisco. Cal., has —C, H. Smith of San Francisco, Cal., has rooms at the New St. James. —Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Boyd of Lincoln, Neb., are registered at the Laclede.

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MAY HAVE BEEN MURDERED. Fred Vogel's Body Found Near

Litchfield, Ill. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Litchfield, Ill., Jan. 18.—The dead body of Fred Vogel of Walshville was found last night near the tracks of the Wabash Railroad, about four miles south of this city, at a road crossing, and a short distance away was the mangled carcass of his riding horse. It was thought that passenger train No. 1 had killed them, but developments later seem to indicate foul play.

Vogel was in this city Saturday and it is reported brought \$90 to town with him. While here he gold a horse for \$140. He drank some during the day.

The man's body has only some small wounds on the head. The Coroner's jury is making an investigation of the circumstances. viances.

Vogel was a prosperous farmer, about 4 rears old.

SCHWAB ARRIVES AT PALERMO.

He Is Reported Well, but Refuse to See Visitors. Palermo, Jan. 18.—Charles M. Schwab, who arrived here yesterday on board the steam yacht Marguerita, retuses to see visitors. He has not left the yacht, but he is reported to be well. The party accumpanying Mr. Schwab has been ashore.

Hindman's Body Recovered.

Murphysboro, Ill., Jan. 12.—The body of John Hindman, who was drowned in Big Muddy River, one mile south of here, December 16, was recovered to-day by George Chandler and Poke Robinson. Mr. Hindman stumbled as he was crossing the M. & O. Raliroud bridge over the stream and fell into the water. Belatives of the family offered a reward of 100 and Jackson. County offered 20 for the recovery of the body. Hindman was 50 years old and left a wife and six children.

## ROOSEVELT'S ACTION CONDEMNED BY GOVERNOR OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Clinch Declares the Appointment of Crum as Collector of the Port at Charleston Is Not Statesmanlike and Will Do More Harm to the Negroes Than to the Whites-Says It Shows a Lack of Sympathy With the South and Understanding of Conditions.

"IT INDICATES RESENTMENT AGAINST SOUTHERN OPINIONS."

TILLMAN WILL PRESENT EVIDENCE TO PREVENT

CONFIRMATION OF DOCTOR CRUM BY THE SENATE.

Washington, Jan. 18.—Senator Tillman is gathering evidence to be presented to the Senate against the confirmation of Doctor Crum, the negro man recently minated to be Collector of the Port of Charleston, S. C.

"I have made up my mind that you cannot defeat the President's nomination negroes because they are negroes. There must be something more than that to bank on. Crum has lived in South Carolina long enough to make that something attainable. I don't want to fire all my powder perore securing the saim, but when the Crum nomination comes up in the Senate, I think we will be ready for it. The committee will not take up the nomination until the 22d." thing attainable. I don't want to fire all my powder before securing the right

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Walterboro, S. C., Jan. 18.-This is the home of Governor D. Clinch Heyward and the venerable Doctor Dunwody, the Episcopal minister who united in marriage the parents of President Roosevelt. The President contemplated accepting an invitation to visit Doctor Dunwody, but has so far een unable to spare the time.

When called upon to-day Governor Heyward was putting the finishing touches on time during the coming week. His views were requested regarding President Rooseof the Port of Charleston. The Governor was moderate in expression, but spoke earnestly and with feeling. He thought the President had been misinformed and was the victim of his advisors. At the same time, he said the readiness of the executive to take the course he did, in the face of proto take the course he did, in the lace of pro-tests from the people who represent the commercial and industrial interests of the State, the intelligence and the integrity of the community, indicated Mr. Roosevelt's prejudice against the inborn views of the Southerner, a disregard for the senuments of a people who have already paid dearly in oceans of blood and mountains of gold

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"When in Charleston," said Governor Heyward, "the President was hearty and fairly spoken; he szemed to appreciate the situation down here. His latest Southern policy seems to indicate a feeling of resentment for our antiabolition position of a half century ago and our anti-negro-equality position to-day, and determination to force us to swallow the most listasteful medicine.

"From the President's personal standpoint there may be transient political advantage in this course, but it is not statesmanlike and is much more harmful to the negro than to the whites. Forcing negroes into prominent business positions in the South when they, as a race, take no part and have no standing in our business world, cannot elsvate the race; forcing them into those positions against the wishes and protests of the people who represent commerce, agriculture, manufactures, the intelligence and the integrity of the South is positively harmful.

"Any one acquainted with conditions here must know that the negroes are absolutely dependent on the whites, not only for means of earning their daily bread, but for their education. As our strength grows, as we recuperate year by year from the devastation of war and the robbery of carpet-baggers supported by ignorant blacks, we are doing more and more for the negroes. The whites of this little State, stag-

gering under debt loaded upon us by corruptionists thirty years ago, have taxed ourselves and spent millions for negro common schools.

"Thousands more negro children are attending these schools in South Carolina than whites, Last summer the Democrats of the State, by a most decisive vote, refused to consider the proposition to let negro schools have only the taxes paid by negroes. The advance of the negro under the rule of the whites has been incomparably greater than when he controlled every branch of the State government. Under these conditions, when he negro is the weaker and must ever remain the weaker; when we are extending him a helping hand; when he is making progress, and is satisfied with political peace, is it not a cruelty to foment discord and supply irritation? ACTION FELT KEENLY.

"We share and share alike in all but our government and our sentiments. In the courts, in the school, in the workshops and the fields the negro has nothing above him. The weaker party with such advantages should hope for peace with its neighbor. Does the President think they will advance more rapidly amid bitterness and strife which would encourage their oppression? "We feel President Roosevelt's action more keenly because we expected more breadth and understanding of conditions and because he seems to have abandoned the Southern policy of his good and patriotic predecessor in office. President McKinley was no less the negro's friend because he realized the true condition of that race in the South. We feel, too, that in no other section of this country would a man be put into one of the Government's buniness offices against the protests of the business interests of an entire State and the objection of the State's delegation in Congress. "The President has the power, but under

business interests of an entire State and the objection of the State's delegation in Congress.

"The President has the power, but under our form of government I do not believe he has the moral right. We do not support the Republican party, but we pay our full share in maintaining the Government, and in the administering of that Government we have, at least, moral rights. We feel that the prejudice against us is still so strong in some sections of the North that they would witness with complacency the filling of every office in this section with negroes. This is not because their love for the negro is so high, for would not this same class protest if the President should propose sending a negro Consul General to Cuba or Brazil? Yet the negroes in those countries have a higher standing than in America."

America."
Governor Heyward thought the President had recently lost in public confidence in his judgment. While the appointment of Crum was most distasteful. It had developed that there is growing in the North a wider and more comprehensive knowledge of the situation here. The support of the Southern view in many influential papers in the North was most gratifying to the people here, who are accustomed to so little appreciation of their position.

### DALLAS VOTERS SLOW TO PAY POLL TAX.

Only Five Thousand Citizens of City and County Have Qualified

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Dallas, Tex., Jan 18.-Under the original poil tax law of Texas, all persons deaf or dumb, blind, either in one or both eyes, maimed by the loss of a limb, or even a finger, and all persons more than 60 years old, were exempt from the tax.

The constitutional amendment adopted at the election last November does not make any change in these exemptions; it simply provides the penalty of disfranchisement against those unexempted men who fail to pay the poll tax. County Tax Collector Henry H. Jacoby of Dallas County said to-day:

"There is a disposition among a large element of voters not to pay the tax; they seem to prefer distranchisement. Less than 5.000 of the 22,000 men of voting age in Dallas County thus far have paid the poll tax. although the limit of time for the payment expires on February I. Seven years ago, in 1886, Dallas County polled more than 17,000 votes, counting defective ballots and all. It does not look now as if more than 10,000 of the 22,000 eligibles will qualify. Beginning to-morrow I will keep my office open until 9 o'citck at night, to enable workingmen and others who are unable to get to the Courthouse during the day, to find a convenient time to do so. The poll tax is \$1.75, and the fact of any back taxes of any character, either on real estate or personal property, being unpaid has no bearing on the poll tax; by paying the poll tax amendment affects Dallas City and County this year probably more maimed by the loss of a limb, or even a

February 1, a voter qualifies until January 31, 1804."

The poll tax amendment affects Dallas City and County this year probably more directly than it does any other city or county in Texas. Although no general or municipal election is to be held during 1900, two very important special elections are almost sure to take place. The Prohibitionists have served formal notice on the proper county authorities of their intention to compel a local option election for the entire county—including tiss city of Dallas—in February; and the Dallas Commercial Club has petitioned for an election on the proposition to issue \$50,000 in bonds to procure funds for the building of a system of good county roads. It may be readily seen from this how important a tearing the poll tax amendment to the State Constitution may have in certain contingencies on local interests throughout Texas.

THE GRIP FOLLOWS THE SNOW.

THE GRIP FOLLOWS THE SNOW. It can be prevented and the worst cases cured in two days by taking Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. E. W. Grove signature on box.

DROWNED WHILE DELIRIOUS. Brice Grossland Threw Himself in Pond at Round Rock.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Georgetown, Tex., Jan. 18.—Brice Gross-land, aged 24 years, drowned himself at Round Rock while delirious from typhoid fever.
He escaped from his watchers and was dead when found.

Murder Charge Preferred.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Murphysboro, Ill., Jan. 18.—Henry Ward.
a negro, was shot twice by George Washington at the Ware Construction Company's camp near this city Wednesday. It was claimed by both men that the shooting was accidental and Washington walked to Murphysboro for a physician, but did not return. Ward's statement a few minutes before he died Friday was to the effect that Washington shot him intentionally as a result of a quarrel about Ward owing him E. The body was buried by Supervisor Roberts Friday, but was exhumed at the order of Coroner Knauer Saturday. Late Saturday inght the jury returned a verdict charging Washington with the murder.

Joseph Becker, said to be an ex-convict, was arrested yesterday by Patrolman Sicking, suspected of being implicated in the theft of property to the amount of 850 from a dye works at No. 52 South Seventh street. He is held at the Four Courts for investigation.

### ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT HAS JEFFERSON DAVIS'S PISTOLS

Washington, Jan. 18 .- In a letter recently received from Mr. Thomas W. Scott, presi lent of the First National Bank of Fairfield, Ill., interesting information is ob-ulted in regard to the pistols captured by the United States Government with Jef-ferson Dayls in 1865. Mr. Scott writes, in connection with the Washington dispatch to The Republic, stating that Jefferson Davis was not disguised and describing the

connection with the Washington dispatch to The Republic, stating that Jefferson Davis was not disguised and describing the garments worn:

"The Republic story carries me back to 1865. So far as my present knowledge goes, it is correct as to what Jefferson's wearing apparel consisted of when captured. I am surprised to learn that they should still be in existence, but another thing of interest to me is that when Davis was captured he had in his possession two very fine silver-mounted pistols. Major Hutson of the Fourth Michigan Cavalry took charge of them, and when Davis was brought to Macon, Ga., later, Major Hutson presented one of the pistols to me. After the lapse of a day or so, I returned the pistol to Major Hutson and he turned them both over to the Ordnance Department in accordance with the rules."

The pistols referred to by Mra Scott were long on exhibition among other war refles of the Ordnance Department, where they were viewed by hundreds of visitors. A few years since they were transferred with the rest of the collection to the Southern War Record Division of the department, located in the basement of the Seventeenth street building, where they have since remained stowed away for safe-keeping in a mahogany case under the present charge of Colonel Frank Jones.

The pistols, three in number, were captured in the tent of the Fresident of the Southern Confederacy; not on his person, as so generally credited. They include two fine silver-mounted duesing pistols of private workmanship and a large-sized steal revolver, double-barreled, according to the discarded fashion of one barrel beneath the other instead of side by side as in modern manufacture. The workmanship is elaborate, but crude, requiring a strong hand and steady nerve to wield it; the metal is rusty from age.

These three weapons, seized among other property of Mr. Davis at the time of his capture, in addition to a sised builet mold of the same date, have been stowed away out of sight so far as the public is concerned, under the special prote

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STEAMER LAHN GOES ASHORE. Fifteen Hundred Persons Aboard Are Not in Danger.

Gibraltar, Jan. 16.—The North German Lloyd steamer Lahn, Captain Malchow, from Mediterramean ports for New York, went ashore at 4 o'clock this afternoon at Tu-mara, ten miles east of the rock of Gibrai-ter. mara, ten miles east of the rock of Gibra-tar.

There was a heavy fog and rain was falling at the time.

On board the steamer were 300 saloon passengers and 1,200 emigrants. She is in no danger, and salvage steamers are with her waiting for high tide to get her off. The Lahn is stern on to the sea. The weather is moderate, but there is a heavy All attempts to float the Lahn have been unsuccessful. The steamer probably will be compelled to transahlp her passengers and cargo. The attempt to pull off the steamer was made at high water by the British admiralty tug Energetic, the United States cruiser Hartford and the tuga Newa. Heracliades and Hercules, but the Lahn remained fast op the sand bank.

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JAMES BOYS' REVOLVERS ARE CAREFULLY PRESERVED.

Former Governor Crittenden Keeps the Weapons, Awaiting a Pub-

are published reports of the sale, or offer boys, or that with which Jesse James was killed. Without exception every one of these stories has been a canard, without the merest foundation. All three pistols are owned to-day in Kansas City by people who have no intention of parting with them for any monetary consideration. Former Governor Crittenden owns the pistol with which Frank James went through the war and his raids up to the day of his surrender, October 7, 1882, and the Governor also owns Bob Ford's pistol, the one with which Jesse James was shot. The pistol which Jesse James carried is owned by a second party, and is kept in his residence. The Crittenden pistols are kept in the vault of a bank, waiting a public repository.

A few days ago these pistols were taken out of the vault by a Republic correspondent and carried to the Governor's law office in Kansas City for identification. When the cloth in which the firearms were wrapped was unwound, out fell two cards, each about the size of a postal card.

"There is the identification," said the Governor. The age of the cards was evident, for they were bent, peeled in places, thumbed and otherwise demarred. One of them read:

Frank James surrendered this pistol to me 7th

Where the dash occurs above is a word which could not be deciphered, and which Governor Crittenden could not recollect. "I would suppose it is an 'as' or a 'while,' the Governor said as he tried to make out the inscription.

The second card read:
Pistol with which Jesse James was killed April 4. 1822, by Bob Ford, in 84. Joe, Mo.

THO, T. CRITTENDEN. Owing to its age, Frank's pistol was black. Bob Ford's pistol, bought expressly for the purpose of killing Jesse James, was new when used, and to-day its nickel is

bright and the butt poissed to a high de-gree.

"When Frank surrendered that pistol to me," said Governor Crittinden, "he tald me several things. Among others, he said that I would find the pistol had no num-ber, and he followed this by saying that some day he would tell me the reason. I pressed for the reason right then, but Frank refused. That 'some day' has not arrived yet. I do not know why there is no number on his pistol."

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INJURED IN FIGHT. Old Feud Causes Street Fray at

Posey, Ill.

Carlyle, Ill., Jan. 18.—Four men were injured during a street fight in the village of Posey, five miles south of this city.

Henry Waeltz, married, is suffering from haif a dozen knife cuts inflicted by George Sadders, single. Waeltz is in a serious condition. Sadders is also confined to his bed, the result of a deep scalp, wound and bruines on the body. Fred Weeltz and Cal Sadders, both single, are woonded slightly. The fight took place in front of the store of C. H. Redeker. It was a contest between the Waeltz brothers and the Sadders brothers. The encounter was the sequel to a quarret which started over woodchopping and had been in progress for a week.

George Sadders assaulted Henry Waeltz with a club last Wednesday. The former was prosecuted and fined. The four met last night and a desperate fight followed. Knives, clubs and brass knuckles were used in the encounter. The men were finally parted by citizens.

Warrants have been issued for the arrest of the Sadders brothers.

EXPLOSION WRECKED HOUSE. Catastrophe Follows Freezing of Water Tank.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Arcola. Ill., Jan. 18.—The home of Percy Welliver of Murdock was wrecked yesterday by the explosion of a tink of water in the reservoir of the kitchen stove. The water in the tank had frozen during the night and Mr. Welliver had just stepped out of the house after having lighted the fire, when the explosion took place.

The walls of the kitchen were shattered and all the windows in the house broken. One portion of the stove was blown through the floor and another part through the roof.

Monett Y. M. C. A. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

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Monett, Mo., Jan. 15.—The annual report of the Monett Y. M. C. A. for 1903, as given by Secretary George J. C. Withelm, shows that this institution is in good condition and that the work for the mitroad men of Monett is encouraging. The following is the report: Average daily attendance. 75: socials and entertainments, 17: attendance at gymnasium, 562; men's meetings, 62; letters written, 1853; membership railread men, 342; others, 13. Financial standing; On hand January 1, 1905, 1914. 43; receipts for the year, 14,025,12; total, 14,143.85; expenditures, 14,027,15; balance on hand, 1935.21.

New York, Jan. 13.—George Stone, charged with the murder of a negro in Chicago in 1830, was brought back from London by a Chicago police official on the steamship Lucania, which arrived here to-day, Stone will be taken to Chicago at once.

OFFICIAL OPPOSITION TO EIGHT-HOUR LAW?

Execution of Army and by the Passage of the Act.

Washington, Jan. 18 .- Army and navy officers on duty in the War and Navy depart-

bill now before Congress which provides that persons engaged on all Government contracts shall not work more than eight hours a day.

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